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RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR § 1.111

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action dated March 28, 2007, setting a shortened three-month statutory period for response to expire on June 28, 2007, and being extended to expire on July 30, 2007 (July 28, 2007 being a Saturday) by the accompanying one-month Request for Extension of Time, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections in view of the herein-contained amendments and remarks. If any extension of time is necessary, this is an express request for any necessary extension of time and authorization to charge any required extension of time fee or any other fees which may be required to preserve the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 19-0089.

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